



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Atty. Docket: WALLACH28

In re Application of:)	Conf. No.: 2930
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David WALLACH et al)	Art Unit: 1635
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Appln. No.: 10/070,255)	Examiner: J. Schultz
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Filed: August 20, 2002)	Washington, D.C.
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For: IREN PROTEIN, ITS)	October 11, 2005
PREPARATION AND USE)	

RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

The present communication is responsive to the official action of August 9, 2005. Claims 1-45 presently appear in this case. No claims have yet been examined on the merits. All of the claims have been subject to a restriction requirement. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement to the extent requested below and action on all of the elected claims are hereby respectfully urged.

The examiner has made a 22-way restriction requirement, stating that no two of the groups are linked so as to form a single general inventive concept. The grouping of the claims is very confusing. Both Group 1 and Group 4